

May 22, 2013

EPA
Freedom of Information Officer
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Via Email: r4foia@epa.gov

Dear FOIA Officer:

On behalf of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, Inc. and pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the accompanying Environmental Protection Agency regulations, 40 C.F.R. §§ 2.1-2.4, I am requesting copies of all public records related to the Stone Mountain Game Ranch DBA Yellow River Game Ranch in Lilburn, GA, from May 15, 2012 to the date request is processed.

PETA is prepared to pay a reasonable duplication fee for the fulfillment of this request, but respectfully requests that such fee be waived pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a) (4) (A) (iii) and Agency FOIA regulations, 40 C.F.R. § 2.107(d)(1), in light of PETA's non-profit status, PETA's lack of commercial interest in the requested information, and the fact that release of the information will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of EPA's administration and enforcement of the Clean Water Act.

PETA's experienced team of research associates and consultants will analyze the information obtained as a result of this FOIA request and disseminate the information to a broad spectrum of the public. The information will contribute to public understanding, as PETA will synthesize and distribute this information to members of the public via one or more of the following methods all of which are, or have been, utilized to inform the public about government operations and activities:

- a. PETA's Websites, including www.peta.org (with over 100,000 visitors *daily*), PETA e-news (with over 527,000 subscribers), and The PETA Files blog, <http://blog.peta.org/> (with over 300,000 visitors monthly);

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- b. PETA's Publications Department, which distributes "Animal Times," a triannual publication with a worldwide circulation of approximately 375,000 that discuss current topics in the field of animal protection;
- c. PETA's Production and Literature Departments, which prepare and distribute a wide array of educational materials such as brochures, flyers, and posters for distribution to members of the public often at no charge;
- d. PETA's Communications Department, which issues daily press releases and otherwise works with major local, state, national, and international media outlets on issues of concern;
- e. PETA's Media Center, which disseminates billboards, print ads, radio advertisements, TV advertisements, and Web banners, and offers "PETA TV"; and
- f. PETA's youth outreach campaign, with an e-news service that reaches over 600,000 subscribers.

For the reasons stated above, there is no question that disclosure of the requested records will primarily benefit the public. If this request for a waiver or reduction of fees is denied and fees are expected to exceed \$50.00, please notify me to this effect before this request is processed. In addition, to conserve resources and in accordance with Department regulations, please provide the requested records, to the extent possible, via facsimile, to 757-628-0786, or via electronic mail attachment, to TeresaM@peta.org. I look forward to hearing from you within twenty (20) business days. *See id.* § 2.104 (a).

Very truly yours,



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